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LETTER DATED 12 MARCH 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Today, the Mission of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina was informed by our Government that Serbian and Montenegrin extremist forces have amassed troops at four points around Srebrenica. Many of these new troops arrived directly from Serbia and Montenegro. These besieging forces have been supplemented by heavy artillery and approximately fifty tanks.

The intensification of the siege of Srebrenica has aggravated the already desperate humanitarian situation in the region. If the aggressor forces are not compelled to desist or retract from these hostile acts, it is feared that Srebrenica and its civilian population, now swelled by refugees to 70,000, will suffer the same humanitarian catastrophe that befell Cerska. In addition, these hostile acts will further worsen the dramatic circumstances of the refugees around Cerska and Konjevic Polje.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

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